

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Minutes March 3rd, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Chairperson Wes Sharp and on roll call the following members were present:

Amy Mitchell Bill Mettee Rene Soldwisch James Sullivan Wes Sharp

Members not present: None

Staff Present: Charlie Dissell, Cortney Marmon, Tim Little

Public Present: Kim and Patti Ablid 1312 E Euclid, Sherie Engel 1305 E Franklin, Pat Nagel-Wilson 1307 E Franklin

The agenda for the 03/03/2021 meeting was approved on a motion by Bill Mettee and seconded by Amy Mitchell. On voice vote: All ayes.

The minutes for the 02/03/2021 meeting were approved on a motion by Jim Sullivan and seconded by Renee Soldwisch. On voice vote: All ayes.

Consider request from Kim Abild for a variance under the terms of Section 165.35 (3) of the Code of Ordinances of Indianola, lowa, to permit the construction of an accessory structure at 1312 East Euclid Avenue, to which if allowed as requested, would not be in conformity with the requirements of Section 165.10 (2) of the Code of Ordinances of Indianola, lowa. A variance is requested to allow for a detached accessory structure to be constructed with an actual roof height of 20'(8' over what is allowed by code) and a concrete driveway leading from the existing driveway in the front yard, through the side yard and into the rear yard to the location of the proposed detached accessory structure.

Mr. Little provided an overview of the application.

Mr. Sharp asked if it would be a steel frame building. Mr. Abild said it would be stick built.

Ms. Mitchell asked for clarification on the driveway. Mr. Little explained the driveway variance.

Mr. Abild went over the project in further detail.

Mr. Sullivan asked if the highest point of the garage would be higher than the house. Mr. Abild said probably.

Mr. Sharp asked if there would be a second story in the building. Mr. Abild said yes.

Ms. Soldwisch asked if the garage would overpower the house. Mr. Abild said no.

Mr. Mettee asked if he was planning on renting the RV space to anyone. Mr. Abild said no.

Pat Wilson said she lives behind where the garage would be built, and it seems too tall. Ms. Wilson stated she was worried about her property value with such a huge structure.

Sherry Engle stated she does not like the idea of a huge structure so close to her and the shade it would cause her plants would be disagreeable.

Mr. Abild agreed that 20 feet is high, but the elevation is four feet below the other houses.

Ms. Wilson said her backyard slopes.

Ms. Engle asked how much of the yard it would take up. Mr. Little said 30 percent.

Motion was made by Board Member James Sullivan to approve the request from Kim Abild for a variance under the terms of Section 165.35 (3) of the Code of Ordinances of Indianola, Iowa, to permit the construction of an accessory structure at 1312 East Euclid Avenue, to which if allowed as requested, would not be in conformity with the requirements of Section 165.10 (2) of the Code of Ordinances of Indianola, Iowa. A variance is requested to allow for a concrete driveway leading from the existing driveway in the front yard, through the side yard and into the rear yard to the location of the proposed detached accessory structure. This motion was seconded by Board Member Amy Mitchell. On voice vote: All, ayes. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Board Member James Sullivan to approve the request from Kim Abild for a variance under the terms of Section 165.35 (3) of the Code of Ordinances of Indianola, Iowa, to permit the construction of an accessory structure at 1312 East Euclid Avenue, to which if allowed as requested, would not be in conformity with the requirements of Section 165.10 (2) of the Code of Ordinances of Indianola, Iowa. A variance is requested to allow for a detached accessory structure to be constructed with an actual roof height of 20'(8' over what is allowed by code) and a concrete driveway leading from the existing driveway in the front yard, through the side yard and into the rear yard to the location of the proposed detached accessory structure. This motion was seconded by Board Member Renee Soldwisch. On voice vote: All, Nay. Motion failed unanimously.

Comments: None

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Bill Mettee seconded by Jim Sullivan. On voice vote: All ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm

Charlie E. Dissell, Director